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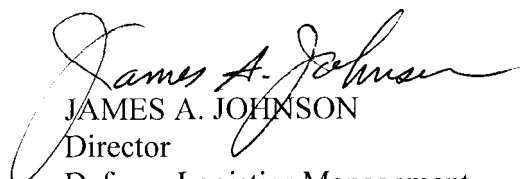
MEMORANDUM FOR: SUPPLY PROCESS REVIEW COMMITTEE MEMBERS

SUBJECT: Proposed Defense Logistics Management System (DLMS) Change (PDC) 134,  
Revise Definition of Small Arms and Rename the DoD Small Arms  
Serialization Program (DoDSASP) to Address Small Arms and Light  
Weapons (Supply)

The attached proposed change to DoD 4000.25-M (DLMS) and DoD 4000.25-2-M (MILSTRAP) is forwarded for your evaluation and submission of a single coordinated Component position. This change was developed to support the changing environment for maintaining visibility and reporting small arms and light weapons (SA/LW) serial number data within the DoD.

Request you review the attached proposed change and provide your comments/concurrence to DLMSO not later than **September 15, 2004**. If nonconcurrence is provided, please provide an alternative to the requirement being addressed. The interface/impact requirement relating to this proposed change is shown to assist in your internal coordination; however omission of such a requirement does not relieve you of the responsibility to assure full coordination of the proposal within your Component. Request you include your Joint Small Arms Coordinating Group (JSACG) and Unique Item Tracking Committee (UITC) representatives in your staffing process.

Addressee may direct questions to the DLMSO points of contact, Ms. Mary Jane Johnson, 703-767-0677, DSN 427-0677, email: Mary.Jane.Johnson@dla.mil or Mr. Frank St. Mark, email: Francis.StMark@dla.mil. Others must contact their Component designated Supply Process Review Committee representative.

  
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DoD Joint Small Arms Coordinating Group

DoD Unique Item Tracking Committee

DoD Small Arms Implementation Working Group Chair (ATTN: Donald Hinton and  
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**Proposed DLMS Change (PDC) 134**  
**Revise Definition of Small Arms And Rename the DoD Small Arms**  
**Serialization Program (DoDSASP) to Address Small Arms and Light**  
**Weapons**

**1. ORIGINATOR:**

- a. Service/Agency:** Defense Logistics Management Standards Office (DLMSO)
- b. Originator:** Mr. Frank St. Mark, DLMSO contractor support, Email: Francis.Stmark@dla.mil and Ms. Mary Jane Johnson, DLMSO (J-673), DSN 427-0677, commercial telephone number (703) 767-0677, E-mail Mary.Jane.Johnson@dla.mil.

**2. FUNCTIONAL AREA:** Supply and Unique Item Tracking.

**3. REQUESTED CHANGE:**

- a. Title:** Revise definition of Small Arms and rename the DoD Small Arms Serialization Program (DoDSASP) to Address Small Arms and Light Weapons

**b. Description of Change:** Over the past several years the need for a revision to the small arms definition in DoD 4000.25-2-M, Military Standard Transaction Reporting and Accounting Procedures (MILSTRAP), and DoD 4000.25-M, Defense Logistics Management System (DLMS), has been discussed by the Joint Small Arms Coordinating Group (JSACG). The purpose of this change is to support the changing environment for maintaining visibility and reporting of small arms and light weapons (SA/LW) serial number data within the DoD. This change recognizes that there is not yet an internationally nor DoD agreed definition of small arms and light weapons. The DoD “Small Arms Implementation Working Group (SAIWG)” was created to ensure that DoD is prepared to fully implement provisions of international agreements that prohibit or restrict small arms and light and light weapons in any way upon their entry into force, and is chaired by Office of the Under Secretary of Defense for Acquisition, Technology and Logistics/Defense Systems/Treaty Compliance. One of the SAIWG concerns is the fact that there are various definitions of Small Arms and Light Weapons being used within the U.S. Government. It is essential to ensure that any definition included in a negotiated instrument will not necessitate a change in current practices that will affect the implementation of international agreements to which the United States is already a party. This PDC is intended to clarify and define small arms and light weapons for DoD tracking and reporting requirements.

c. **Procedures:** Revise the DoD 4000.25-M (DLMS) and DoD 4000.25-2-M (MILSTRAP), TERMS and DEFINITIONS, definition for small arms, which is used for DoD tracking and reporting requirements, to read as:

**PROPOSED DEFINITION:**

**“SMALL ARMS AND LIGHT WEAPONS.** *For the purpose of DoD small arms and light weapons reporting, small arms and light weapons are defined as man-portable weapons made or modified to military specifications for use as lethal instruments of war. Small Arms are broadly categorized as those weapons intended for use by individual members of armed or security forces. They include revolvers and self-loading pistols; rifles and carbines; sub-machine guns; assault rifles; and light machine guns that expel a shot, bullet or projectile by action of an explosive. Light weapons are broadly categorized as those weapons weighing less than 200 pounds that are carried and used by several members of armed or security forces serving as a crew. They include heavy machine guns; hand-held under-barrel and mounted grenade launchers; portable anti-aircraft guns; portable anti-tank guns; recoilless rifles; man-portable launchers of anti-tank missile and rocket systems; portable launchers of anti-aircraft missile systems; and mortars”*

**STAFFING NOTE:** To facilitate review of this proposal, the ‘small arms’ definition currently published by DoD 4000.25-M (DLMS) and DoD 4000.25-2-M (MILSTRAP) is provided below:

**CURRENT DEFINITION:** **“SMALL ARMS.** For the purpose of small arms reporting, small arms are defined as handguns; shoulder-fired weapons; light automatic weapons up to and including .50 caliber machine guns; recoilless rifles up to and including 106mm; mortars up to and including 81mm; rocket launchers, man-portable; grenade launchers, rifle and shoulder fired; and individually operated weapons which are portable and/or can be fired without special mounts or firing devices and which have potential use in civil disturbances and are vulnerable to theft.”

**4. REASON FOR CHANGE:** The need to update the DoD small arms definition used for the DoDSASP has been raised at past JSACG meetings to support the changing environment for maintaining visibility and reporting of small arms and light weapons serial number data within the DoD. PDC 134 proposes the revised definition and will enable the Components to address and fully comply with SA/LW serial number tracking and reporting requirements within the Department of Defense. **This PDC is proactive in clarifying and defining small arms and light weapons for DoD tracking and reporting requirements.** The PDC also renames the DoD Small Arms Serialization Program (DoDSASP) the “DoD Small Arms/Light Weapons Serialization Program (DoDSA/LWSP).

**5. ADVANTAGES AND DISADVANTAGES:**

a. **Advantages:** This change supports the Department’s DoD 4140.1-R, Supply Chain Materiel management Regulation, policy to establish and maintain a standard UIT program with well defined DoD-Level UIT Programs.

**b. Disadvantages:** None identified

**6. IMPACT:**

- a. Data Content/Procedures/UIT systems:** DoD Components may need to revise Component regulations and/or automated information systems as this change redefines small arms and light weapons for DoD tracking and reporting requirements..
- b. Interface/impact:** DoD Components should coordinate/staff this proposed change with their Joint Small Arms Coordinating Group representatives; Unique Item Tracking Committee representatives, and wholesale and below wholesale logistics system modernization offices.
- c. Publications:** DoD 4000.25-M (DLMS); DoD 4000.25-2-M (MILSTRAP); DoD 4140.1-R (which addresses the DoDSASP); and applicable Service/Agency publications.